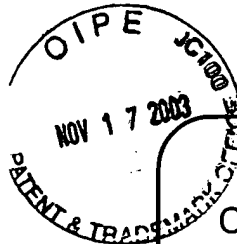


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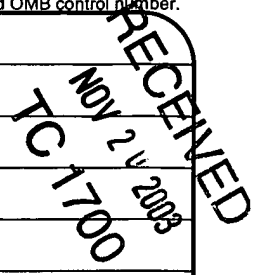


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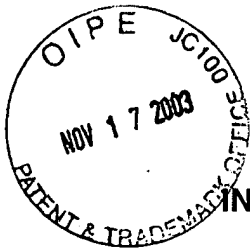
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121, please insert the following new paragraph in column 8, between lines 42 and 43. The changes made are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made".

Please insert the following new paragraph in column 8, between lines 42 and 43:

The thickness of individual protective layers can be, for example, from 1 nm to 150,000 nm. Examples of the thickness of the individual protective layers are 1 nm, 2.5 nm, 5 nm, 40 nm, 50 nm, 100 nm, 187.5 nm, 200 nm, 375 nm, 750 nm, 1,500 nm, 7,500 nm, 15,000 nm, 75,000 nm and 150,000 nm.